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Portugal stands with the EU consensus regarding the EU - Beef Hormones dispute rulings at the World Trade Organization (WTO). Ana Coelho of the Economy Ministry's Office of International Economic Organizations told us Portugal does not have a specific position on the issue as the country exports little beef and the economic implications for Portugal from the revised list are small. STEPHENSON